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1. Lieutenant Colonel Chich (fnu), commanding officer of Unit in the Holtke Kaserne, Schwerin (M 54/T 46), was succeeded by Colonel Verbs (fnu), and left for an unknown reassignment on 7 April 1951. (1)
2. Major (Tech) Afonin (fnu), chief of the Soviet construction office at 3-4 Schlusterufer, Schwerin, was succeeded by Major Izakov (fnu) from Magdeburg on 2 May 1951. Afonin remained at the office, however. (1)
3. The Soviet Komendantura in Ludwigslust (M 54/T 53) 25X1
4. The Alte Kaserne in Ludwigslust quartered a Unit 25X1
 One Major Grazov (fnu) belonged to Arty Unit 25X1
5. Unit at Ludwigslust airfield was commanded by Colonel Gartsulin (fnu). (2) It was assigned 18 trucks from Perleberg on 30 March. One Major Agelevich (fnu) belonged to Unit at Ludwigslust airfield.
6. Headquarters was located at Perleberg (M 54/T 70) airfield.
7. Colonel Ovchinnikov (fnu), commanding officer of Unit in Perleberg, was reassigned on 28 March and succeeded by Colonel Asber (fnu).
8. Unit at Perleberg airfield moved to the Schweinrich (M 54/U 22) troop training grounds in April. (3)
9. Unit on the Wustrow (M 55/O 51) peninsula was allocated 23,600 DM-east on 31 March 1951 for the construction of wooden barracks buildings.

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25X1 10. Headquarters [redacted] on the Wustrow peninsula was appropriated 25,000 DM-east on 13 April 1951 for restoration work.

25X1 11. [redacted]
Soviet troops conducted field exercises in the Gadebusch (M 54/T 27) area from 2 to 6 April 1951. Tank Unit [redacted] from the Neue Kaserne in Parchim (M 54/T 74) participated. (4) (5).

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25X1 [redacted] Comments.

- 25X1 (1) Same source previously reported that Lieutenant Colonel Chich (fnu) was the commanding officer of Unit [redacted] rather than [redacted], as stated in the present report. Chich's successor, Colonel Verbs (fnu) can now be carried as the commanding officer of the 74th Tank SP Regt of the 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div. Major (Tech) Afonin (fnu) was reported by the same source, in mid-January 1951, to belong to the Kech office in Schwerin.
- (2) Colonel Gartsulin (fnu) was previously identified as the commanding officer of the 1054th How Arty Regt of the 18th Mecz Div in Ludwigslust.
- (3) Same source previously identified Colonel Ovchinnikov (fnu) as the commanding officer of a unit, probably an AAA unit, in Perleberg. The Hq 18th Mecz Div, [redacted], which was believed to have moved to the Wittstock troop training grounds at the end of April 1951, along with the division, is confirmed there by the present report.
- (4) There is a possibility that the 60th Mecz Regt of the 18th Mecz Div from Parchim participated in a field exercise conducted by the 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div in the Gadebusch area. No confirmatory information has been obtained, however.

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